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In re Patent Application of)	
Stephane Rayon et al.)	Group Art Unit: 2876
Application No.: 09/601,111)	Examiner: Ahshik Kim
Filed: July 27, 2000)	Confirmation No.: 5591
For: MICROPROCESSOR CARD)	
INCLUDING A CABLE)	
COMMUNICATION CIRCUIT)	

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1 and 6-8.

At the outset, it is noted that the Office Action states that claims 1 and 6-8 remain for examination, however, claims 2-5 are also pending; there was no cancellation of these claims by Applicants. The Examiner is respectfully requested to confirm that the record properly indicates the currently pending status of these claims.

Claims 1 and 6-8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102, on the grounds that they were considered to be anticipated by the newly-cited Yamaguchi patent (US 5,365,047). It is respectfully submitted, however, that the teachings of this patent do not anticipate the claimed subject matter.

Claim 1 recites a card with a microprocessor and contacts, and a communication device in the form of a hard-wired circuit disposed between the